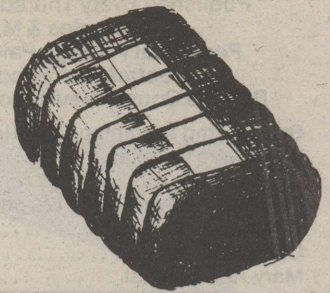




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Sometimes people tend to downplay the talents of ballplayers by saying they are too small to be able to do the job. There is one young man playing in the NFL today who wasn't drafted until one of the later rounds and probably is playing for minimum wages as compared to the salaries of his teammates who seems to be proving all these preconceived notions to be false.

Of course, you know I'm referring to one of my personal favorite players, Zack Thomas. I got started watching this player when he was at Texas Tech and have continued since he went to the Dolphins. Last Sunday he had the opportunity to intercept a pass and carry it for a touchdown. Quite a thrill for a defensive player!

Thomas is a Texas boy, having been reared in the Pampa area. His family lives on a farm and his parents theorize that keeping kids busy in athletics and on the farm and in church on Sundays helps keep them out of trouble. The Thomas family was responsible for building the beautiful huge cross that we see when we go to Groom for ballgames.

I read in the newspaper the other day that stores can't keep Zack Thomas jerseys in stock. It seems that they rank right up there in popularity with those of Michael Jordan, Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith and Dion Sanders.

Number 54 for the Dolphins may be a little too small to play football, but if you watch the team you'll see that Zack Thomas is in on just about every defensive play. He is my favorite for Rookie of the Year—I haven't noticed a better one!

## Certified Nurse Aide Class Planned in Jan.

Rural Nurse Resource, Inc. (RNR), a nonprofit organization that provides health and safety education, will offer a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Class. The CNA class will train individuals to care for patients in the Nursing Home, Hospice, Home Health and private care setting. It is six weeks long and is limited to 12 students.

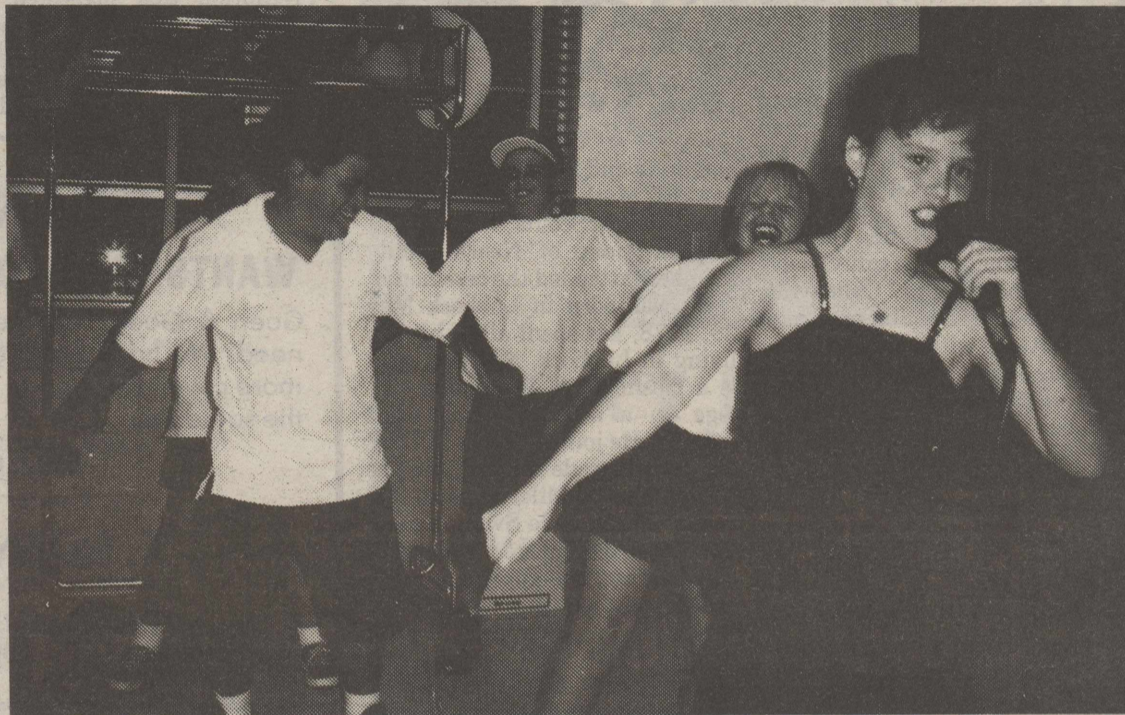
The course will begin January 7, 1997.

To receive an application packet or for more information, call RNR's office at 806-983-8096.

## News Office To Be Closed Thursday

The office of the Briscoe County News will be closed Thursday, November 21, for an appointment in Amarillo.

Please arrange your business so you won't be inconvenienced by this closing.



Briscoe County 4-H'ers compete at Panhandle 4-H Roundup.

## Eleven Briscoe County 4-H'ers Qualify For State Competition

Calley Payne, CEA-FCS  
Briscoe County Extension Agent 0

Briscoe County was well represented at the Panhandle District Roundup held at Randall High School November 2.

Katie Hester and Tyler Young competed in the Natural Resources contest with a method demonstration called "Give Water a Helping Hand." They

## Public Library To Be Closed For Holidays

Silverton Public Library will be closed a week during the Thanksgiving holidays, from Tuesday, November 26, until Tuesday, December 3.

Please arrange your visits to the library so you won't be inconvenienced by this closing.

## CPR, First Aid Class To Begin Dec. 14

Rural Nurse Resource, Inc. (RNR), a nonprofit organization that provides health and safety education, will have an American Red Cross Community CPR/First Aid Class on December 14, 1996.

For more information or to sign up for the class, call RNR's office at 806-983-8096.

received second place and will advance to state competition in June.

There were four Briscoe County entries in the Share-the-Fun contests. Winning first place in the Share-the-Fun drama contest with their re-enactment of Ray Stevens' popular song, "Along Came Jones," were Donny Burson, Briana Sperry, Trey Ziegler, Hollie McKay, Coy McKay, Miles Comer, Joe Warner, Will Hester and Teal Bennett. They also will advance to state competition in June.

Two groups entered the Share-the-Fun dance contest. Christine

## Playoff Game is Here Friday Night

There will be a football playoff game played on Payne Field in Silverton Friday night by Lazbudie and Chillicothe.

Kickoff time is 7:30 p.m.

## No BCAA Meeting Planned This Month

There will be no meeting of Briscoe County Activities Association this month due to the Thanksgiving holiday on the regular meeting day.

Walls, Paige Hughes, J. C. Pigg, Chelsea Wheeler, Katherine Pigg, Enedina Valdez, Matthew Reyna and Melissa Leal received first place in the junior division with their dance to "All That Jazz."

Receiving third place with a dance in the senior division were Molly Brooks, Terri Chitwood, Kenzie Burson, Lindsey Jennings and Kenda Wood.

Scarlett Sperry competed in the Share-the-Fun vocal/musical category singing "I Try to Think About Elvis."

Briscoe County is very proud of all these young people. Those advancing will be strong competitors this summer at Texas State 4-H Roundup in College Station.

## Mexican Food To Be Served Sunday Noon

A Mexican food luncheon will be served Sunday in the Silverton School Cafeteria by members of Our Lady of Loreto Catholic Church.

Serving will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will continue until 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 24.

## Early Deadline For Paper Next Week

There will be an early deadline for the Briscoe County News next week due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

All news and advertising material will need to be turned in by noon on Monday.

The employees at Blanco Offset have to move up the newspapers they regularly print on Thursday in order to have a holiday. This requires all the papers normally printed on Wednesday and Thursday to be moved up one day.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Thanksgiving Service To Be Held Here Sunday Evening

The Silverton Ministerial Alliance invites everyone to join in the Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday evening, November 24, at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

Each church in the community is participating in the service with music, scripture, prayer and word. An offering will be taken to be administered by the Salvation Army to benefit those passing through town who need special help.

Please join the fellowship following the service and enjoy the snack foods brought by those attending.

## WEATHER

24-HOUR NOVEMBER READINGS

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18	51	25	
19	76	35	
Total Precip. in Nov.			.39
Normal Precip. in Nov.			.71
Total Precip. Rec. 1996			
Year to Date			19.04
Normal Precip.			
Year to Date			20.54

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# Eagle Scouts



Justin Vaughn

## Justin Vaughn Earns Eagle Award

Justin Blake Vaughn, 16-year-old son of Ron and Pam Vaughn,

earned his Eagle Scout Award in a recent ceremony in Modesto, California. A member of Troop 146, Justin held many leadership positions as well as earned numerous merit badges. For his Eagle project, Justin built two handicap ramps for the CARE-ousel Therapeutic Riding Club.

Justin and his family have since relocated to Colleyville, Texas where he is a Junior in high school. Along with being an honor student, Justin is also involved in football and baseball. He is now a member of Troop 254 where he will work with younger Scouts, including his three brothers, John, Robert and Ryan.

Justin is the grandson of Bud and Norma Vaughn and the late Ruby Vaughn, and is the great-grandson of Girtha Mae Vaughn. He is also the grandson of Riddell Hutsell of Northridge, California and Grace Hutsell of Beach, North Dakota.



Neal Turner

and John and Margie Turner, and has two brothers, Chad and Dee, who is also in Scouts.

Twenty-four of Neal's family members attended the ceremony.

He was born in Lubbock May 29, 1978, has spent all of his life living in Lubbock, and currently is a freshman at Clarendon College on a scholarship in meat judging. He joined Scouts in 1987 as a fourth-grade student, and has earned the 50-Miler Award, Arrow of Light, Mile Swim, among others. He has enjoyed wilderness camping and has applied to work at Philmont next summer. He has served as an Assistant Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Quartermaster and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. He has attended every summer camp since joining the Troop—either helping or serving on the staff in the Cowboy Camp. This year he served as the Cowboy Camp Director.

For his Eagle Project, Neal repaired and refinished the M-shaped benches at Monterey High School. This project included sanding the wood, cleaning the concrete seats and cleaning out the water traps underneath the blue and red seats.

He was Prom King at MHS and was a member of the meat judging team that qualified for state competition.

## Neal Turner Receives Eagle Scout Award

William Neal Turner, son of Doug and Karen Turner, received his Eagle Scout Award in a Court of Honor at the Koko Palace in Lubbock Monday night. He is the grandson of Rex and Theta Holt



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Evening ..... 8:00 p.m.

## Reminders Issued to Thanksgiving Holiday Travelling Public

When traveling this Thanksgiving weekend, Trooper L. B. Snider, Public Information Officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety, asks you to consider that we have some of the best roads in the country and motor vehicles today have much better safety features than vehicles most started driving in. Snider states that fatal accidents are lower than a few years ago, yet the number of injury accidents continue to rise.

Trooper Snider advises that nearly all traffic accidents are caused by one or more driving errors, which often offset vehicle safety features. Common driving errors are: Fail to yield right of way, Following too closely, Wrong side of road, Speed too fast for conditions, and Cutting in

too closely when passing along with numerous other hazardous errors which too often result in accidents with injury or death. Many of these errors are a result of Fatigue, Alcohol and other drugs (including prescription and over the counter), Trying to make time and Inattention.

Motorists should be aware that DPS Troopers, along with local and area agencies, will be on the alert for these and other traffic violations to curb the riding number of injury-causing accidents. They will also be looking for motorists needing help.

Precaution tips suggested by Snider are to: (1) Schedule adequate time for travel (even within minutes), (2) Be rested and alert, (3) Be clear of medications and or

alcohol (have a drug-free driver if you ingest either) and (4) Have all occupants (backseat also) to use safety belts. These will help us have a weekend of "thanks" rather than regrets of driving error.



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Deadline for getting your name on the special page is November 30.

Look for donation forms and envelopes in your October Silverton bank statements or use the form below. Be sure to print your family's name as you wish it to appear on the Christmas Greeting Page.

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## LOOKING BACK

through the files of the  
Briscoe County News

**November 13, 1986**--South Plains Health Provider preparing to open Silverton clinic . . . Dave Francis to speak at PTA meeting . . . Winners of door prizes at the Johnson's Gin open house were J. E. Patton, Jack Hill, Charles Whitfill, Lem Weaver and Milton Frizzell . . . A single-engine Beechcraft Sierra, piloted by State Senator Bill Sarpalius, had a particularly rough landing Friday at the Silverton airport . . . Lillian Lindsey underwent surgery Tuesday at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene for repair of a broken hip . . . Charles Cowart of Amarillo visited friends here last Friday . . . W. G. (Butch) Brannon of Abilene has been selected as one of the Outstanding Young People of America for 1986 . . . Lois Hill, Christina Stephens, Staci Hill, Christi McWaters, LaToya Baker and Kara Kingery took part in the Junior Jungle Junket at Camp Rio Blanco near Crosbyton last week . . .

**November 11, 1976**--Abandonment of railroad to Silverton has been proposed . . . Silverton area farmers harvest top corn yields . . . Briscoe County 4-H Gold Star Award winners are Rose Lee Perkins and Earl Jarrett . . . J. E. Henderson is in critical condition in the Floydada hospital . . . Owls close season with loss to North Zone champion Sudan Hornets . . .

**November 10, 1966**--Water group tours White River plant . . . Carol Ann Montague is Football Queen . . . Kathy Self and John Montague were presented their 4-H Gold Star Awards at the annual banquet held here Saturday night . . . Mike Mercer was inducted into the armed forces Monday morning, and was shipped to Fort Bliss . . . Mrs. R. L. O. Riddell was given a surprise birthday dinner in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Perkins, Becky, Patti and Amy . . . Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mayfield are parents of a daughter, Kasi Ann . . . Miss Carolyn Ann Smith to marry Terry Don West . . . Miss Annis Carol Dudley united in marriage to Glen Lester McWaters . . . Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Stephens and Judy were in Dallas from Thursday until Saturday and attended the funeral of Roy Dean Futch, 23, who died following open heart surgery . . . Dorcas Class meets in home of Mrs. Stella McJimsey . . .

**November 15, 1956**--Mrs. Jack Jowell is hostess to the Helping Hand Club . . . Funeral services for Wiley B. Nance, 63, a pioneer farmer of the Lone Star area who died at his home November 8 of a heart attack, were held at the Lockney First Baptist Church Monday afternoon . . . Mrs. N. D. Nettleton attends School of Communication . . . James R. Brown and Carolyn Garrison are honor 4-H students . . .

Joe Brooks will make his last home appearance as a member of the West Texas State football team next Saturday when the Buffs play Texas Western in the

annual homecoming attraction . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byrd of Happy were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCracken . . . Haylake Club meets with Maude McJimsey . . . Billy Ellis, teacher in the local high school, transacted business in Plainview Thursday . . . Mrs. J. H. May, Mrs. Loyd May, Van and Alvin were in Tulia last Thursday . . . D. T. Northcutt and J. W. Reid spent the weekend at the Reid ranch near Walsenburg, Colorado. The men flew there and back . . . Mrs. Jean Grundy spent the weekend in Lamesa with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Reid Bethel and Donald . . . Mr. and Mrs. Norlan Dudley and daughters were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Dudley . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie B. Parker and Susie were in Lubbock Monday. They took Susie for a consultation with a doctor . . . Ben Martin is on the sick list this week . . .

**December 5, 1946**--Mr. and Mrs. Alvy Gardner are parents of a daughter, Lenda Jeane . . . Miss Polly Steele of Lubbock spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Steele . . . Charlie Holt, who has been employed as a mechanic at the Silverton Chevrolet Company, left Monday for Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he has accepted a position . . . Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McWilliams entertained with a buffet supper and "42" party at their home Saturday evening . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brown, Miss Dee Gardner, Miss Polly Steele, Bruce Bursleson, jr., and John Earl Simpson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Griffin Friday evening . . . Willie Amel Smithee has purchased the Texaco Wholesale Agency from George Jones . . . Mollie Nann Ziegler is bride of Clarence E. Nance . . . Mrs. Arnold Brown entertained with a birthday dinner honoring Mrs. H. Roy Brown, Mrs. Pascal Garrison and Milton Dudley . . .

**November 12, 1936**--Silverton Owls win over Quitaque Panthers 7-0 Armistice Day . . . A. A. Peacock returns to Silverton Methodist Church . . . Lockney falls 19-0 before Silverton ball luggers . . . Miss Wilma Sechrist and Mr. Delphine Hunt united in marriage here . . . Editor Roy Hahn wrote: "Before I start this yarn I want to disclaim any part of it. I just heard it, and I heard Q. E. B. laugh at it so maybe it's funny. I can't see the joke myself. It's an old story, for it happened when icemen were still driving horses. The general trend of the story is: The lady opened her window, stuck out her head and yelled to the iceman, 'Say, mister, have you got the time?' 'Sorry, lady,' he answered, 'I've got the time, but I ain't got nobody to hold my horses' . . . Jim Bursleson had the misfortune to have his car burned Monday night . . .

**October 28, 1926**--Supervisor from the State Department of Education makes glowing report on condition of high school here . . . Two were injured in a car wreck Saturday night on the highway

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east of town about two miles. A Dodge car occupied by four members of the Marcus family from Matador on their way to Amarillo, collided with a car driven by local people. The Dodge turned over completely. Ennis Walker who was passing by picked them up and brought them to Dr. Moore for treatment . . . Mr. and Mrs. Archie Castleberry are the proud parents of a fine baby girl born Sunday, October 24 . . .

C. G. Huggins of Quitaque was a visitor here Sunday . . . J. Z. Rogers, formerly of Silverton, turned his car over on the highway near the detour between here and Quitaque Sunday night . . . Dave Brooks visited Bryan Brooks and family Sunday afternoon . . . Frederick Montague is back in school now and all the Juniors are very glad for we missed him during his absence. Mildred Cloyd was absent Mon-

day, on account of illness, but we are all glad she is able to be back. Elsie Welch has been absent for two days on account of the illness of her mother . . . The Phebean class of the Baptist Church met Sunday with 20 members present . . .

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# Community Thanksgiving Service

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## Hospital's Home Health Agency Thrives as Home Visits Double

by Mike Garrett

In the face of rising health care costs, preventive medicine and therapy in the home is thriving, causing Swisher Memorial Hospital's Home Health Agency to expand by leaps and bounds.

"When I came here in June we only had one other RN other than

myself. We had three LVNs (licensed vocational nurses), two (nurses) aides and one secretary," said Brock.

"Now we have four registered nurses (RNs), four LVNs, three full-time nurses aides plus some part-time people," Brock said. A part-time billing clerk and one

secretary round out the staff housed in the Foreman Building on the hospital grounds.

Swisher Memorial Hospital Administrator/CEO Tony Staynings has pointed to Home Health's rapid growth as a real boon to the hospital's current stable financial health.

Brock attributes that growth to good marketing, public relations and "the fact we're working with St. Mary's, which benefits us. They give us referrals, mostly in the Plainview area.

"But a lot of it is good quality patient care," Brock said, noting that Home Health's regular patient load has been averaging 50 to 60 per month and total home visits have increased from around 500 per month last June to nearly 1,000 now.

"If we ever have any problems, we follow up on them and make sure that they are resolved," she said. "We haven't had many, maybe one or two over the past three or four months."

Home Health visits to patients range as far as Quitaque to the east, Dimmitt to the west, Amarillo to the north and Plainview to the south.

"We're seeing patients now in Lockney, Plainview, Hart, Happy,

Silverton, Quitaque and Claytonville," said Brock. "We furnish therapy, a social worker, speech and occupational therapy. These services are for everyone from the small child to adults and geriatric patients. We accept Medicare, Medicaid and private pay insurance."

IV therapy also is available but isn't being done right now. Brock said home health involves the nurses teaching and training patients to better cope and respond to their illnesses and helping them follow their doctor's plan.

### Happy Anniversary To

November 22--Mr. and Mrs. Mike McGinn

November 23--Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mayfield

November 26--Mr. and Mrs. Bob Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Ramsey

November 27--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brannon, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jasper

### Happy Birthday To . . .

November 21--Susie Younger, Tara Kersh, Michelle Warren

November 22--J. E. Patton, Pappy Hendrick, Kaleb Copeland

November 23--Cayson George, Debbie Davis, Cody Whitfill, Neal Edwards, C. L. McWilliams, Mackensy Louise Strange

November 24--Andrew Scott Brooks, Laura McCammon

November 25--Brandon Kitchens, Dana Martin, Erma Polley, Carrie Ann McJimsey, Billy Cogdell, Fred Strange, Paul Ledbetter, Dustin Hale

November 26--Kay May, Louie Kitchens, Cynthia Finck, Paula Garvin, Pauline Chitty, Floyd Butler Otis IV

November 27--Jill Culwell, John Daniels, Thomas Perkins, jr., Michael Long, Blaze Cogdell

## Miss Texas To Present Program Here in January

Miss Texas 1996, Michelle Martinez, will present a program in the Silverton School on January 8, 1997.

She will share her keys for success with students as she blends her musical talent and motivational speaking to inspire and encourage those of all ages. The Miss Texas organization has developed this personal growth, goal setting and drug-free program in conjunction with the national program, "America Cares for Children."

Included in the program will be developing perseverance and a good work ethic; making wise decisions and staying drug free; taking responsibility for your actions; developing family values.

Miss Martinez has received over \$20,000 in educational scholarships through her participation in the Miss America organization. At the 1996 Miss America Pageant, she was a Top Ten Finalist and wowed millions of viewers with her classical piano selection. She has studied piano for 19 years and has won many awards and scholarships for her talent.

Following her year of service as Miss Texas, she will complete her degree at the University of Texas at Arlington, where she is a senior majoring in piano and biology. With a goal of becoming a physician, she will then use her scholarship monies to attend medical school.

Please put her appearance date on your calendar, as you won't want to miss it!

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Thursday, December 5, 1996, at 7 PM

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Monday, December 2, 1996, at 7 PM

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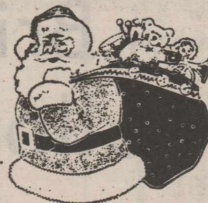
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### Anthony May Leads Canyon H.S. Frosh

Anthony May, grandson of Claudine and Edwin May, led the Canyon High School Freshman Football team to the District 4-4A championship.

The Canyon Eagles defeated the Hereford Whitefaces 14-0.

May is a 6-ft. 172-lb. quarterback. He completed six of eight passes with one going 61 yards for a touchdown. He also kicked both extra points.

May also starts for the Freshman Basketball team which opens their season against Amarillo Caprock. Soccer is also a big part of Anthony's life. He plays for Lubbock Excaliber, an Under 15 Select team that plays in The West Texas Premiere League. They play teams from Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Abilene and Lubbock.

May also will play for the Canyon High School varsity soccer team in the spring.

Anthony's parents are Glenda and Thurman May. Glenda is the office manager for the Amarillo Rattlers Hockey team. Thurman is owner of The Eagle Barber Shop in Canyon.

### Cable Announces Kids Christmas Campaign

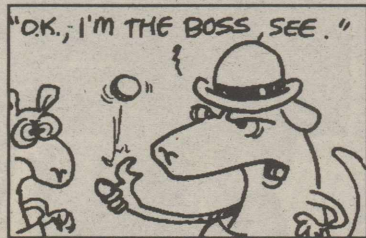
With the holidays rapidly approaching, Classic Cable has announced efforts to make a child smile this Christmas. From now until December 15, 1996, customers can install or upgrade their existing cable service for only \$9.95 plus the donation of a new toy valued at \$10 or more. These toys will then be donated to a local charity for distribution to the less fortunate children in the communities.

Jennifer Tremblay, Public Relations Representative for the company, explained, "This program was done on a small scale last holiday season and was a huge success. We were able to collect and donate a large number of toys in the communities. This year we are doing the campaign company-wide in hopes to assist local charities in all the communities we provide with services."

These efforts not only provide gifts for the less fortunate but also give customers the opportunity to receive the great value of cable television in their home

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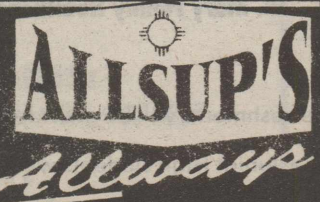
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# Owl and Lady Owl Basketball

## Lady Owls Beat Kress To Open New Season

Silverton's Lady Owls opened the new basketball season by beating the Kress Lady 'Roos here on Tuesday night of last week. The Lady Owls led at the end of each quarter: 15-10, 43-22, 63-32, 75-51.

Lacy Brunson and Lindsey Weaks had the hot hands, and led the offense by scoring 18 points each. Also scoring in double figures were Misty Wilkinson, 12, and Michelle Warren, 11. Adding to the score were Sara Kirchoffner, eight; Kenzie Burson, four; Shauna Kingery, two; Terri Chitwood and Kimmie Blazier, one point each.

The Lady Owls weren't able to do as well against Claude in their second game, dropping the match 39-59. The Owl Ladies had trouble getting their shots into the baskets, and trailed at the end of the first quarter 9-13. They went on to lead 20-16 at the midway stop, but had fallen behind 24-39 by the three-quarter mark.

Brunson once again led the scoring with 19 points to her credit. Also scoring were Wilkinson, six; Warren, five; Kirchoffner, four; Burson, two; Weaks, one point.

## Owls Open New Season With Victory

Silverton's Owls drove to McLean Tuesday night of last



Lacy Brunson fights for a rebound as the Lady Owls lost to the Claude Lady Mustangs here Friday night. In their first game, the Lady Owls had earned a big victory over the Kress Lady Roos.

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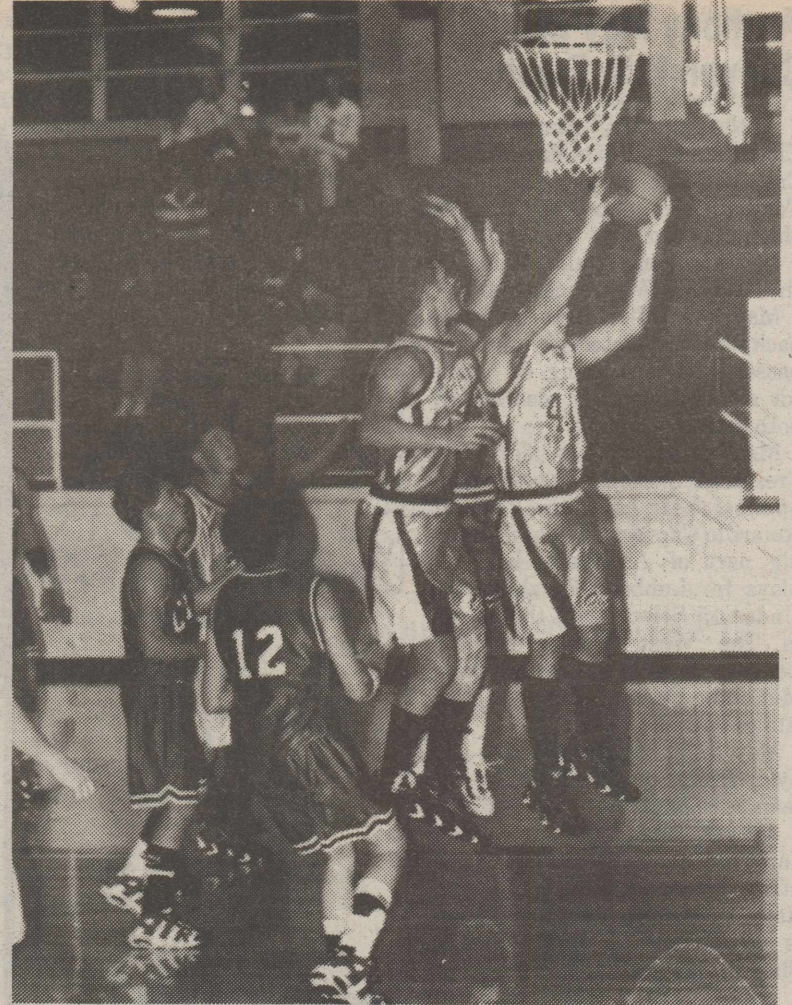
week and opened the new basketball season with a victory over Allison. They watched a game in which the Higgins girls defeated McLean before their action.

The Owls jumped out to an early lead and held a 15-5 advantage at the end of the first quarter. They didn't score well in the second period, but continued to lead 25-12 at the midway stop. They were ahead 40-25 at the three-

quarter mark and finished ahead 55-36.

Jack Cherry led the offense by scoring 18 points, including two three pointers. Trey Wyatt also caged in double figures with 15 points, including a three-point play.

Adding to the score were Brandon Sarchet, eight (two three pointers); Jared Holt, Jon Ivory, Arnold Garza and Nathan Fran-



Jack Cherry screens off the opposition behind Jared Holt as he goes up for a rebound for the Owls in their game with the Claude Mustangs last Friday night. The crowd at the game was one of the largest seen in the Silverton gym for a regular-season game.

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cis, two points each.

Also seeing action for the Owls were Jordan Sarchet, Will Hester, Bert Garza, Paul Segura, Daniel Reagan and Leland Wood.

## Owl Teams Roll Over Claude Here

Both the Owl varsity and junior varsity teams played to big victories over the Claude Mustangs here Friday night.

After a slow start, the JV Owls (1-0) picked up steam and led 20-13 at halftime. They were ahead 25-19 at the three-quarter stop and went on to win 36-33.

Nathan Francis led the scoring with 14 points. Bert Garza also scored in double figures with 10 points to his credit.

Adding to the score were Paul Segura, five; Jordan Sarchet, four; Daniel Reagan, three. Ryan Minyard also took part in the game.

The varsity Owls (2-0) rang up a 63-44 victory after leading at the end of the first three quarters: 22-11, 36-22, 54-36.

Jack Cherry caged 20 points and Jared Holt added 18 to lead the offense. Also scoring were Trey Wyatt, nine; Leland Wood, six; Jon Ivory, five; Brandon Sarchet, three; Jeremy Holt, two. Also in the game was Will Hester.

## JV Lady Owls Drop First Two Ballgames

Silverton's JV Lady Owls hosted Childress in their first game and a really slow first quarter probably cost them the

game. They trailed at the end of each quarter: 2-21, 10-27, 14-31, 25-36.

Dara Johnston led the offense with 11 points. Also scoring were Lindsey Jennings, six; Sharyl McMurtrey, four; Kenda Wood and Lisa Comer, two points each. Misti Mattheus also played in the game.

The JV Lady Owls also dropped their game to Claude, 28-49, after trailing at the end of each quarter: 4-11, 10-15, 21-34.

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Dara Johnston led the scoring with nine points. Also scoring were Lindsey Jennings and Misti Mattheus, seven points each; Sharyl McMurtrey, three; Kenda Wood, two. Lisa Comer also took part in the game.

### Junior High Teams Open With Victories Over Motley County

Silverton's Junior High Owls and Lady Owls played four games with Motley County here Thursday of last week, and took victories in all of them.

The Seventh Grade Lady Owls opened the action with a 32-19 victory. They led at the end of each quarter, 8-6, 20-8, 27-16, 32-19.

The offense was led by Chelsey Cherry, who caged 18 points, and Amanda Estes, who rang up 11. Also scoring were Andrea Baraza, two points, and Amy Maciel, one point.

Others playing on this team are Elizabeth Thomas, Laura Gray, Rachel Vangraefscheppe, Molly Sarchet and Brandi Rice.

The Seventh Grade Owls roared to a big 58-16 victory over the Matadors led by the offensive effort of Andrew Francis, who scored 23 big points. J. R. Gonzalez also scored in double figures with 10 points. Adding to the score were Jimmy Castillo, nine; Matt Strange, five; Clay McMurtrey and Ismael Alvarez, three points each; Danny Dunn, four; Nicholas Vargas, one point.

The Owls led at the end of each quarter: 6-2, 30-7, 49-8 and 58-16.

The Eighth Grade Lady Owls struggled in their game, trailing at the end of the first two periods, 4-7 and 12-13. They worked themselves into a 17-15 lead in the third quarter and led until the final minutes of the fourth period. The Motley girls hit several three pointers and tied

the score with seconds remaining on the clock, but committed several fouls, sending the Lady Owls to the line where they rang up enough free shots to cinch the game 23-21.

Taylor Griffin and Cathryn Reyna led the scoring with seven points each. Diana Garza rang up three and Julie Weaver had five. Brooke Garvin added a point from the line. The other girls on this team are Kendra Rhoderick, Katy Hester and Vicki Van Horn.

The Eighth Grade Owls struggled in the first quarter of their game, and finished the period leading 9-5, but they recovered and moved into a 22-9 lead before halftime. They went on to win the game 43-19.

Scoring was by Adrian Ramirez, 18; Daniel Castillo, eight; Isaiah Ivory, nine; Clint Ivory, four; Tyler Young, two; Martin Younger, two. Issac Garcia also saw action in the game.

### Junior High Teams Sweep Valley Series

Silverton's Junior High Owls and Lady Owls won four games at Valley Monday, and will host the teams from Groom next Monday. The seventh grade teams play at 4:00 and 5:00 p.m., followed by the eighth grade teams at 6:00 and 7:00 p.m.

The seventh grade Lady Owls led off the action at Valley by earning a big 18-9 victory. Chelsey Cherry led the offense by scoring 10 points. Amanda Estes and Kurby Garvin added four points each.

The Lady Owls saw the score knotted at 4-4 at the end of the first quarter, but had moved ahead 8-7 by halftime. They had moved out front 16-7 by the end of the third quarter.

The seventh grade Owls played to a 39-19 victory, having led at the ends of the first three quarters: 10-4, 17-6, 33-15.

Andrew Francis caged 18 big

### Silverton School Honor Roll

#### Second Six Weeks

First Grade-- Shane Estes, Cooper Cogdell, Shandy Forbes, Davin Fabela

Second Grade-- Ami Dunn, Keifer Dutton, Ory Johnson, Drew Reed, Clay Strange

Third Grade-- Ethan Long, Gid Mayfield, Thor Patton, Jesse Reynolds, Tanner Young

Fourth Grade-- Max Comer, Maria Gonzalez

Fifth Grade-- Daryl-Ann Reynolds

Sixth Grade-- Bryn Mayfield, Kassie Strange, Jenny Young

Seventh Grade-- Amanda Estes, Andrew Francis, Amy Maciel, Matt Strange

Eighth Grade-- Brooke Garvin, Taylor Griffin, Julie Weaver

Ninth Grade-- Lisa Comer, Nathan Francis, Jordan Sarchet

Tenth Grade-- Josh Breedlove,

points to lead his team. Adding to the score were Jimmy Castillo, nine points, including one three pointer; Ismael Alvarez, eight; Clay McMurtrey and J. R. Gonzalez, two points each.

The eighth grade Lady Owls led at the end of each quarter of their game: 7-2, 13-2, 18-6, 32-8. Brooke Garvin led the scoring with 14 points. Also scoring were Diana Garza, seven; Cathryn Reyna, six; Taylor Griffin, three; Vicki Van Horn, two points.

The eighth grade Owls also came up with a big 35-29 win against their former teammate, Vance Chandler, who scored 14 points for Valley. The Owls led at the end of each quarter: 8-2, 16-8, 22-16, 35-29.

Daniel Castillo led the offense for the Owls by scoring 10 points. Adding to the score were Adrian Ramirez, eight; Isaiah Ivory, seven; Clint Ivory, four; Issac Garcia, Tyler Young and Martin Younger, two points each.

Lindsey Jennings, Misty Wilkinson

Eleventh Grade-- Trista Davis, Irene Gonzalez, Shauna Kingery, Michael Reagan, Michelle Warren  
Twelfth Grade-- Brandon Sarchet, Heidi Tiffin

### Lunch Menu

Monday, November 25--Deli Sandwich, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk  
Tuesday, November 26--Corn Dog, Ranch Beans, Potato Salad, Brownie, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday-- School Holidays

#### BREAKFAST MENU

Monday--Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday--Buttered Toast, Jelly, Juice, Milk

### Silverton School Activities

Friday, November 22-- Happy, here, 4:00

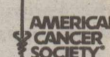
Monday, November 25-- here, 4:00, JH

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Harvesting cotton on the Texas High Plains has never been an exact science. Hindsight almost always yields the feeling that something could have been done better.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) all of this holds true even as producers approach the halfway

point of the 1996 harvest. Much of this second guessing is the result of weather systems that either did not materialize or proved substantially weaker than forecasted.

"As of today the majority of the High Plains has yet to receive a hard, killing freeze," reports PCG Executive Vice President Donald

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Johnson. "The end result is many fields that would probably have received a full course of harvest aid treatment given a different weather forecast are still waiting for a hard freeze to fully prepare them for harvest."

Overall harvest activity seems to be lagging behind, with only around 40 percent of the crop now estimated to be off the stalk. That is slightly behind the pace of recent years and is primarily attributed to the lateness of many fields and the fact that Mother Nature has yet to provide a killing freeze.

Quality-wise the 1996 crop continues the recent trend to high quality cotton. Predominate color grades for the 1996 crop continue to be 21 and 31 with micronaire averaging 3.8-3.9.

One slight deviation in this year's crop is that mill buyers should find a little more variety in the qualities available. This is a change from the last few years when the High Plains produced remarkably uniform, high quality crops.

"Anyone looking for a specific quality cotton should be able to find something that will work for them this year," notes Johnson.

Harvested acreage for the area is estimated at 2.4 million acres out of approximately 3.1 million originally intended for planting. The 700,000 acres difference is

primarily accounted for by dryland cotton acres that were never planted due to drought conditions. Some losses also were tallied because of hail in many areas.

Prospects appear to be amazingly bright, however, as yields continue to pleasantly surprise growers across the area. The most recent USDA estimate pegs High Plains production for 1996 near 2.8 million bales.

Estimates from USDA's Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing offices appear to support this figure once they are converted from running bales to 480 pound statistical bales.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1996**

Hollen on December 15, 1926. She is deceased.

Survivors include a daughter, Anita Bottorff of New Castle, Colorado; two sons, Corky Wesley of Alamosa and J. R. Wesley of Palisades, Colorado; a brother, Luther Wesley of Canyon; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, including Jo Weaks of Joes, Colorado, Eddie Wesley of Smyer and Willie Wesley of Tulia.

A daughter, Dorothy M. Wesley; three sisters, Nettie Langston, Velma Eudie, Didema Rogers; two brothers, Buck Wesley and Lee Wesley, and his parents, Robert and Maude Wesley, are deceased.

**OBITUARIES**

**BILL WESLEY**

Funeral services for Bill Wesley of Colorado Springs, Colorado, uncle of Elvira Weaks of Silverton and Mildred Brooks Mouser of Plainview, were conducted Saturday in the Peyton Community Church with Larry Glassco officiating. Burial was in Peyton Cemetery by Mountain View Mortuary.

Mr. Wesley died Tuesday, November 5, in a Colorado Springs nursing home.

He was born January 13, 1905 in Memphis, Texas, and farmed in the Petersburg community for many years. He moved to Colorado in 1950. He married Myrtle

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ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1996**

Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TRUST FUNDS	TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY)		
	100-199	200-499	810-879	98	97	
	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	COOPERATIVE EXPENDABLE	AUGUST 31, 1996	AUGUST 31, 1995	
<b>REVENUES:</b>						
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$531,192	\$24,211	-	\$555,403	\$541,484
5800	State Program Revenues	1,212,678	19,823	-	1,232,501	1,133,590
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	118,677	-	118,677	111,713
5030	Total Revenues	\$1,743,870	\$162,711	-	\$1,906,581	\$1,786,787
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
0011	Instruction	\$975,601	\$73,507	-	\$1,049,108	\$899,405
0021	Instructional Administration	6,209	3,928	-	10,137	8,086
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	29,512	-	-	29,512	19,146
0023	School Administration	56,235	1,263	-	57,498	56,785
0025	Curriculum & Instruct. Staff Development	1,409	-	-	1,409	2,568
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	1,371	-	-	1,371	1,861
0033	Health Services	36,156	-	-	36,156	30,276
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation	38,339	-	-	38,339	62,665
0036	Co-curricular Activities	45,021	-	-	45,021	44,572
0037	Food Services	-	92,507	-	92,507	93,921
0041	General Administration	193,118	2,354	-	195,472	154,561
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	217,506	-	-	217,506	203,038
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	575,956	-	-	575,956	-
6050	Total Expenditures	\$2,176,433	\$173,559	-	\$2,349,992	\$1,576,884
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	(\$432,563)	(\$10,848)	-	(\$443,411)	\$209,903
7990	Other Resources	-	12,845	13,341	26,186	37,352
8990	Other (Uses)	(12,845)	-	(13,341)	(26,186)	(37,352)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	(\$445,408)	\$1,997	-	(\$443,411)	\$209,903
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	863,320	13,178	-	876,498	666,595
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-	-
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$417,912	\$15,175	-	\$433,087	\$876,498



**Letter to the Editor**

This letter concerns the contents of your All Around the Town section in the November 7th edition of the Briscoe County News. I do not think you need to feel sorry for the upperclassmen who played football for the Amherst Bulldogs this season. Those young men are wearing two state championship football rings and have the pleasure of experiencing something that few others experience.

The real reason I am writing this letter is in defense of Jack Shely. I am sure there are many people that live in Silverton who never knew this man personally and the only way they can judge

his character is by reading your articles and listening to all the bogus demeaning gossip that has lingered in this town for seven years. The real truth about Coach Shely is that he is one of the best six man coaches in the state of Texas. In Silverton he motivated kids to perform to their top potential. He was an excellent history teacher, a strict disciplinarian, and although he was not liked by many he was respected by all. He did not come to Silverton to win friends, he came to win football games. That is a goal he accomplished by taking every Owl team he coached to

the playoffs (with the exception of one). Was he arrogant? The answer to this question is yes, but as Jerry Rice once said, "There is no such thing as bragging, you're either lying or you're telling the truth." I just wanted the people of Silverton to know that not everyone who knew Coach Shely shares the same negative views about the man. If you want a legitimate opinion of the man I suggest you ask one of the players he coached because I guarantee their evaluation will be one of positive influence.

Sincerely,  
Bradley Brunson

Defensive Line Coach  
ENMU

Editor's Note: Bradley, the point I'm making about coaches who are 45 just about everyone they play rather than letting some of the other players go into the game is that this really isn't fair to the ones who work out all week and don't get any playing time. I don't think those state championship rings mean nearly as much as they would have meant if they were all worn by players who saw action in those games they won.

It was obvious at Amherst several years ago that the coach wasn't planning to stay long

because there was no work being done with either the junior high or junior varsity teams. Is it fair to leave a community with a void in place of the past two years of work with the players coming up?

Does a coach not have a responsibility to his school and community to continue building the framework for the next season's team whether or not he is planning to be there?

**Win Owls, Lady Owls!**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Ruel Rollie Skinner, Deceased, were issued on October 4, 1996, in Cause No. 1361, pending in the County Court of Briscoe County, Texas, to: Merton Walter Skinner and Virgil Glen Skinner.

The residences of the Co-Independent Executors are Hidalgo County, Texas and Curry County, New Mexico; the post office address is:

c/o Kelly K. Dunbar  
Attorney at Law  
P. O. Box 180

Silverton, Texas 79257-0180

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 1st day of November, 1996.

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Silverton, Texas 79257  
806-823-2257

By: /s/ Kelly K. Dunbar  
Attorney for the Estate  
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The residence of the Independent Executor is Silverton, Briscoe County, Texas; the post office address is:

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### A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF COTTON MARKETING NEWS

For the Week Ending Nov. 14

This week the cotton market bounced on buying support after several days of declines due to the

market's nervous anticipation of USDA's U. S. and World Supply/Demand Report. The late week rally was not attributed to USDA's November report, however, as USDA left the demand side of the equation unchanged and raised U. S. production and carryover stocks.

USDA's projection for 1996-97 U. S. consumption was left un-

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changed at 11.0 million bales, while U. S. production was pegged at 18.5 million bales. The production figure is a 400,005 bale increase from a month earlier and at the upper end of private expectations. In the past two months, prospective U. S. cotton production has been increased 1.3 million bales. This translates into a 400,000 bale increase in the U. S. carry over which is now placed at 4.9 million bales.

Additionally, a 25 pound per acre yield increase, which brought the average yield to 698 pounds, offset a 200,000 acre reduction in U. S. cotton harvest area. Incidentally, the Department's entire 200,000 decrease in acreage was assessed in Texas, bringing total U. S. cotton acreage down to 12.7 million acres.

Although Texas suffered a 4.9

percent decline in the area for harvest, average yield was boosted 47 pounds bringing the state's output to 4.0 million bales, 200,00 more than the previous month. High Plains production was estimated at 2.8 million bales, accounting for 140,000 bales of the state's production increase, while the Rolling Plains added another 25,000 bales. The production forecast for the Rolling Plains is now 405,000 bales.

The increase in Texas cotton production was attributed to beneficial rains in late August and favorable October weather which resulted in an amazing recovery for the crop. Oklahoma, on the other hands, saw a 15,000 bale decrease in production in the recent report due to insects and adverse growing conditions. Cotton production for the state is now pegged at 135,000 bales.

USDA's world numbers held several surprises. Many in the market expected the Department to lower its world ending stocks forecast for 1996-97; however, the target number increased to 36.8 million bales. The primary reason for this was a reduction in world consumption and a small increase in last year's carryover.

The Department lowered its world cotton production estimate to 87.2 million bales, a 440,000 bale reduction from the October number. Although a decrease in projected world production was expected, greater production cuts were anticipated in Pakistan, South America and the Former Soviet Union due to a combination of adverse weather and insect pressure in those countries. Pakistan's cotton production figure was only reduced to 7.1 million bales, although many feel the number will eventually be reduced further as the crop continues to deteriorate.

Additionally, the production increase in India, which brought the forecast for that country to 12.2 million bales, was surprisingly small to some analysts as the condition of the cotton crop in that country continues to improve and a bumper crop is expected.

In other news, U. S. cotton exports seem to be on the rise once again. USDA reported export sales of 1996-97 U. S. cotton increased a net 198,100 bales in the week ending November 7, up from 101,500 bales reported the previous week. Featured buyers were Indonesia, China and South Korea. According to one analyst, the sales reflect purchases made the week before USDA's supply/demand report was released, when prices went as low as 71 cents per pound. Analysts are

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now optimistic that the upcoming U. S. export report could be over 250,000 bales as it will include this week's activity when December cotton futures reached a new contract low of 69.90 cents per pound.

Spot cotton sales are increasing steadily as more cotton is available. Sales on TELCOT for the five trading days ended November 14 totaled 73,632 bales, up considerably from the previous week's figure of 33,783 bales. Average daily prices received by producers on the electronic marketing system ranged from 61.99 to 64.09 cents per pound.

## Conference to Focus On Producer's Role In Stewardship

Agricultural producers and landowners must make key decisions every year about conservation and protection practices for their farming and ranching operations.

A conference scheduled in late fall has been planned to aid area producers in making sound choices, say organizers of the "Ag Producer's Role in Environmental Stewardship" symposium, set for December 13, from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

"Some of this country's best stewards of land and water quality are our farmers and ranchers," said Robert Buckley, executive director of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB), one of the agencies sponsoring the event.

"The conference has been designed to offer factual and up-to-date information on land and water quality issues important to today's agricultural operator," said program planner Brent Auvermann, assistant professor of agricultural engineering and Extension Service specialist for environmental systems with the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

Questions most often asked by producers have formed the agenda. Agency officials and university scientists will help address key issues, such as nonpoint source (NPS) water pollution and the need for certified water quality management plans, as specified by the 73rd Texas Legislature in Senate Bill 503.

State Rep. David Swinford of Dumas will present the keynote briefing on Senate Bill 503, its history and the provisions allowing producers to develop voluntary site-specific management plans to meet state water quality standards.

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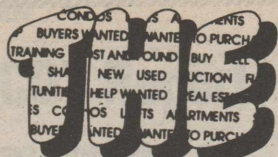
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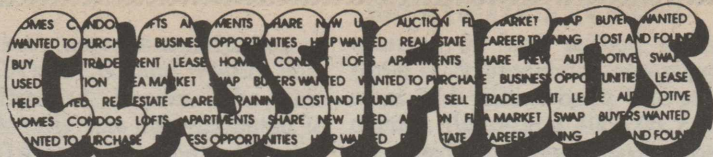
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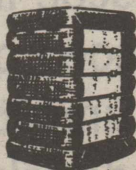
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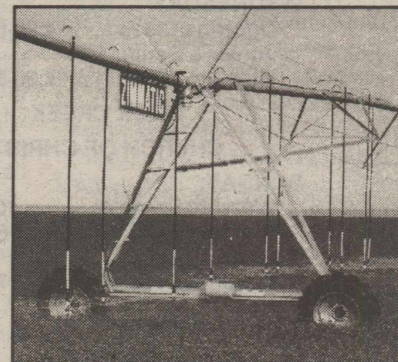
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